

# The Church of God Evangel

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 3:14.

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**HONOR\* THE BLOOD OF JESUS AND THE HOLY GHOST. LOVE EVERYBODY!**

**THE GREAT ASSEMBLY IS NOW OVER, WE NOW COMMENCE NEW FOR ANOTHER YEAR!**

## THE DEDICATION OF THE GREAT HOUSE OF GOD

**Was Held Wednesday Evening Nov. 2. God Visited in Great Power And Blessings.**

Minnie E. Haynes

I have been told by many that each succeeding Assembly is greater, richer, more powerful and more wonderful than the preceding Assembly each time. I have not the least doubt that this is true for the statement was made by reliable people. I have attended the last three Assemblies and it has proven so in these. There are no words in the English vocabulary to express the greatness, the wonder, the power, the joy, peace, happiness and glory of God that each Assembly has brought to us—Church of God people.

As Church of God people do or should know, we stand for system so I shall endeavor to tell how wonderfully the program was carried out.

The congregation, pianists and bands were all in place at 6:20 o'clock. The General Overseer and wife and their attendants marched in and took their places on the platform while piano played softly. The elders and their wives marched in at the north front entrance of the Auditorium and stopped in front of the platform while the General Overseer read an appropriate Scripture.

First song sung by singers was, Church of God, and the next was, I Am Going That Way. This surely expressed the thoughts and feelings of all present—The Church of God and I'm Going That Way. What could be better? Right at the time many of us thought that was the best but other things occurred later which seemed just as great, for instance, the music of the Brass Band from Alabama, which followed. It surely was akin to heaven to listen to the music which was splendidly rendered.

Introductory remarks were given by the General Overseer. He said if he were to tell what he was thinking of, he would say the Church of God because he loved her better than his own life. He asked the congregation who would give their lives for the Church. Many hands went up. This was followed by clapping of hands and music by Brass Band. Great shouts went up from the whole congregation. What could be more wonderful? Brother Tomlinson remarked that we had read about heaven but we had never been there unless that occasion that night was heaven. He also stated that we were in a training school getting ready to go, especially right at the time.

After this talk Geo. T. Brouayer led in prayer, followed by a very interesting talk on the first two Assemblies held by the Church of God, by M. S. Lemons. He introduced his talk by singing, While the Years Roll On, and it is marvelous to think of the powerful works of God within the sixteen years that the Church of God has "rolled on." In the first Assembly only twenty-one were present and the Assembly was held in a log cottage in Cherokee County, N. C., during which time there was a snow storm. The Lord met with power as the old soldiers of the cross searched out the truths and saw the light, although dim compared with the brilliant light of today, enough to begin with the Bible Church, the body of

Christ. They began clearing the rubbish which is the means of the church shining so brightly. He remarked that people love the church good enough to spill their blood for it and some may have to prove it. I think this a very good thought taken from his talk. The Church of God was started by a little band of mountaineers who wanted to do something—"God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty." 1 Cor. 1:27. This is no reflection on mountaineers but the people of the world who think they are wise do not realize that God can use mountaineers for His plan. The second Assembly met in Bradley County, Tenn. People up and down the land have joined till about 20,000 are in the ranks now.

F. J. Lee gave a talk on, Early Recollections of Assemblies Attended. He said one thing that attracted his attention was interpretations, just to think that we could get a message direct from God. Then, too, people were getting real visions from God concerning the Church of God. At the time of early Assemblies some preachers had been using tobacco, but it was questioned in the great Church of God. A discussion resulted in abstaining from use of same in any way in the Church of God. Praise God for shining the light.

The dedication sermon by the General Overseer was very interesting and the reason for this is that he used just the very suited Scripture and was backed up by the Bible in the whole sermon. These things are spiritually discerned but we are glad to find Bible on all lines. The subject was, The Lord's Sanctuary. He stated that we can now speak of the Auditorium as a new court and he would be afraid to say it is not the house of the Lord, the Church of God. He mentioned Church of God in first article he wrote for paper. He asked the congregation to repeat—Church of God. This was done twice. The General Overseer said, "I fancy I hear the voice from heaven"—when a message was given out and interpreted. "Humble thyself under mighty hand of God. Remember how I led them across Jordan into the promised land. I will stand by you. It must move on. Am I not giving thee power and understanding? I am talking unto thee, I am back of this. I will care for thy children. Remember the Word I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." All bowed and honored God for the message. Oh, how wonderful to hear a message direct from our heavenly Father. Many tears were melted by the presence of the Holy Ghost. In speaking of the great building the Overseer said, "If we keep our eyes on the Lord, we forget about the onslaughts of the enemy." As he said, "The Spirit of the Lord comes on us tonight as came on the prophets of old," another message and interpretation came. The message was almost the same as the Scripture reading. In speaking of the debt on the Auditorium, the General Overseer said, "It is almost nothing when we look at Him, if I were hungry would I ask you?" When he mentioned the debt

the money came in showers without an invitation to contribute money—Amid shouts and different manifestations the money continued to come. Church of God people are glad to do anything that is right. They do not have to be forced but they do it willingly and through love for the cause. Music by the Brass Band followed by the singing of the words was rendered as the people went forward to the platform with their money, amounting to \$338.12.

During this time two or three other messages with interpretations were given. A part of one was, "Jesus is coming soon. Jesus is coming soon. Jesus is coming soon. Jesus wants each one to stand in his place. Jesus wants each one to be encouraged. O beloved, beloved, beloved, Watch and pray lest ye enter into temptation. Be true, be true, be true. My dear children, be faithful a little longer. I am coming. Don't get discouraged, your time is soon up. Keep on, keep on, keep on, the time will soon come." (Could not get all of message but it was the most wonderful message the writer ever listened to, up till that time.)

The address of welcome, Feel at Home, by J. S. Llewellyn was certainly a feast to the whole congregation. A short time before he was to begin his part of the program we heard him say that he was almost too sick to do anything, but the Lord under took his case and helped him in a marvelous way. The subject, Feel at Home, was applied more to the Church of God than to the town of Cleveland and that suits Church of God material. We like to look at things spiritually as well as literally and we have the Holy Ghost to spiritually discern. Praise God forever! The very thought of feeling at home brings joy, peace, comfort and satisfaction. We have found the place we can call home—the Church of God.

Although I have said very little about this service being a dedication service, it was one of the most interesting dedication services ever held. This was because it was the house of God—the Church of God.

### The Remedy For Sin Stains

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Evangel Family—Greetings in Jesus' Sweet Name:

Today finds me still on the glory side with victory in my soul through the blood of Jesus Christ. Dear friends, it is sure a cure and remedy for sin stains from our mortal bodies, when applied with conviction, earnest confession and faith. In God's Word He says: "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9. I have tried this and know it is true for it has been almost one year since my sins were buried in the sea of forgetfulness and when I was willing to become a child of God He gloriously sanctified me wholly and gave me the sweet Comforter, the Holy Ghost, with the signs that follow as in Mark 16:17, 18. "And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my name they shall cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." Praise God for these wonderful promises.

How I praise Him because I am a member of the great Church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth. By the grace and help of God I expect to stay in His great Church and observe all its rules and teachings until He comes or calls.

I desire your most earnest prayers that God will give me boldness and let me speak His truth without fear of man.

Your sister in Christ,  
Victoria Alden,  
Jacksonville, Fla.

Foreign Mission Day falls on the thirteenth day of Nov. this time.

The people who attend the Assembly are back home now telling their home folks about it. But they will never be able to tell it all.

The largest number of people remained to the end this time that has ever been known before. This is right and they helped us to the last.

There are no words to describe the Assembly that has just closed. We believe there were more than five thousand people packed in the great Auditorium on Monday night. This is great.

The finest, sweetest, tenderest, and most blessed spirit prevailed from beginning to end. The music, the singing, the shouts of multitudes, the waving of handkerchiefs, the dancing for joy, the clapping of hands by thousands at the same time, made a lasting impression on the multitudes that attended.

Of course everybody will want to know the names of the overseers. Here they are:

Alabama, W. S. Wilemon.  
Arkansas, John Burk.  
Bahamas, Milton Padgett.  
Colorado, O. R. Rouse.  
Florida, F. J. Lee.  
Georgia, S. W. Latimer.  
Illinois, S. O. Gillespie.  
Indiana, F. W. Gammon.  
Kentucky, C. H. Randall.  
Louisiana, H. B. Simmons.  
Maryland, Paul Walker.  
Michigan, Efford Haynes.  
Mississippi, H. A. Pressgrove.  
Missouri, E. L. Pinkley.  
New Jersey, T. S. Payne.  
New Mexico, J. A. Davis.  
N. Carolina, Geo. T. Brouayer.  
N. Dakota, J. W. Barker.  
Ohio, W. G. Rambert.  
Oklahoma, B. H. Doss.  
Pennsylvania, W. M. Rumler.  
S. Carolina, J. W. Culppepper.  
Tennessee, M. W. Letsinger.  
Texas, H. N. Scoggins.  
Virginia, F. J. Crowder.  
W. Virginia, E. L. Simmons.

This makes several abrupt changes and very unexpected to both appointee and appointed, but the selection was made only after much deep study, earnest prayer, counsel, and waiting on God. The final decision was reached while alone with God between twelve and one o'clock the night before the close of the Assembly.

Many good things were said about the Evangel during the Assembly. It is looked upon as being the best paper in the world. The people that believe this may not be far wrong. I'm sure it is the best paper for us that there is in the world. No other paper fits us.

### Jesus Her Great Physician

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints of God Everywhere—Greetings:

I thank God and praise Him for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the precious Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence as in Acts 2:4.

I praise the dear Lord because I am a member of His great church (The Church of God) that is built on the solid rock and that is outshining all other churches of today. Praise God. I am so glad that one day I learned to trust Jesus for my body as well as with my soul. He always heals me when I get sick and I never have to take any more bad medicine as I once did. I no longer trust in doctors or medicine. Jesus is my great physician. Praise His name.

Pray for me, dear saints.  
Your little sister in Christ,  
Her Clements,  
Dennis, Miss.

## THE FIRST DAY OF THE ASSEMBLY

**God's Power Wonderfully Manifested.**

Jessie L. Penney

Eye had not seen, nor ear heard, neither had it entered into the heart of man the great and wonderful things God had prepared for His people in the great sixteenth Annual Assembly of the Churches of God, and only those who have had the privilege of attending this great Assembly will ever know and then words will fail us when we try to tell of the wonderful works of God. Oh, it was wonderful! The Lord has done great things for His children. Praise His holy name! "O Lord, thou art my God; I will exalt thee, I will praise thy name; for thou hast done wonderful things." Isa. 25:1.

The wonderful presence of God was felt as Brother Tomlinson opened the Assembly by reading the 61st chapter of Isaiah. Then all bowed before God while the General Overseer asked God for guidance and to take control of this entire Assembly. After which was the call of the states and their response.

Oh, how the saints rejoiced and the wonderful power of God was manifested in different ways throughout the entire day. Twenty-three states were represented by their overseers and workers from the field.

Coming from the field again,  
Coming from the field again,  
The harvest is plenteous,  
We're just from the field again.

As we looked over the vast congregation that was just from the fields again and saw the many brave and noble men and women who had fought many battles during the past year and had conquered by His Word and were standing true to the great Church of God we could only say the Church of God is made up of the best people in the world.

The brave warriors had suffered many hardships this last year on account of the failure of crops, financial depression etc., but all reported greater victories for the Lord and the great Church of God. This past year there were more souls saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and added to the Church of God and more churches established than ever before. In the state of Louisiana, in one meeting, there were 128 saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Our God doeth wondrous things. Praise ye the Lord!

On account of the panic, in many places, it was hard to carry the gospel, but it was carried for this gospel had to go, and if there were no money to pay carfare these brave soldiers of the cross would walk for miles and miles to carry the glad tidings for they, like Paul, had heard the Macedonian cry, "Come over and help us." One brother told how he and his wife many times had given the last crust of bread to their little boy and the last drop of milk to their little girl, then retired for the night, trusting in the One who had said, He would never leave them nor forsake them and on the morning find a basket of food on their doorstep. In some way or the other our Lord will provide.

Of Georgia it was said that everything went bankrupt but salvation. During the year there were 1540 souls saved, 1140 sanctified and 1000 filled with the Holy Ghost, and the overseer from Tennessee said the financial depression had been a blessing to that state. There were over three hundred representatives for Tennessee this

year. There was only a small number of representatives from Ohio, but the people there who had pastors were standing true. On their banner was inscribed these words, The Lion of the Tribe of Judah hath prevailed. Many hard battles have been fought there, but they have come out victorious for The Lion of the tribe of Judah prevailed.

While the overseer of Alabama was telling of the great love that existed between the people in that state, he was raised by two brothers high above the congregation while he continued his talk. It was a wonderful sight to see the Alabama saints cheering and praising the Lord. On their banner was inscribed, House of God—Gateway to heaven. And as the Alabama band played and the saints sang, it made one feel like they had really found the gateway to heaven. On the Arkansas banner was a tree which represented blooming out for Jesus. In number they were few, but in heart were pure gold.

One colored brother from the Bahamas told how determined the saints were to stand for Jesus. There,

The laborers are needed,  
The harvest is ripe;  
Who'll go work for Jesus,  
Bringing in the sheaves that are white?

The word loyalty was inscribed on the banner for Florida. The overseer told how the shadows had been hanging over Florida but were disappearing and they were going from victory to victory.

The Church is shining brightly in Texas—the lone star state. The workers there are true blue and will not compromise. The overseer's wife gave a summary of the work in Texas which was much enjoyed:

Well along last fall when the Assembly was drawing near,  
We began to ask our heavenly Father what He would have us do;  
And when He had shown us and shown Brother Tomlinson, too,  
We jumped in our old tin Lizzie and she carried us safely through  
To the great big state of Texas, the largest one on the map,  
And at once we rallied our forces and prepared to give the devil a slap;  
And with some true blue workers who wouldn't compromise,  
We waged war against the devil, not expecting to come out behind;  
For we all had on the armour and we buckled up the shield,  
And we took the sword of the Spirit and the devil had to yield.  
Now, friends, I want to tell you, if you want something to do,  
Just go to the great big state of Texas for there is plenty there to do.

Some of the hungriest hearted people for the Word of God and right, And some of the biggest hearted people and they sure accept the light,  
And when they hear the Word of God and are saved and sanctified, Then they want the precious Comforter to teach them what is right.  
And then when they get Him, to them you need not go  
With any of your New Light doctrine for you'll have to pack your grip and go  
Where they have not heard the Church of God, before you'll have any show.

So now just take a look at us Texans in this row,  
We may not be so numerous here but the Church of God will grow.  
In Texas she is growing, just think how fast she has grown:  
When in the year 1917, we came out five churches strong,  
But that is not all, just listen now how her number has increased,  
We cannot tell you how many souls have found the way of peace.

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## BATTLEFIELDS

The power of the Lord was so strong in a prayer meeting held at Daisy, Tenn., that the people fell in the altar and four received the Holy Ghost. A woman and a little girl were healed instantly. Many were made to believe on account of the healings. Reports D. C. Wynn, Hixson, Tenn.

The Lord blessed in a revival which began Oct. 16th, at Holden, W. Va. Holiness was first preached there last January by Brother Drummond. During this meeting many souls saw the light on holiness and two were saved. It was conducted by Sister Emaline Gilbert and the writer, reports Jettie Williams.

Have just closed a two weeks meeting at Bristol, Tenn. The Lord surely blessed. 12 were saved, 12 sanctified, 24 received the Holy Ghost, 12 were added to the church and 9 were baptized in water.

Brother M. W. Lettinger, our state overseer, and Brother Seagrins, our district overseer, were with us two nights and did some wonderful preaching. The power fell in a wonderful way. The people shouted, danced and talked in tongues and messages were given out under the great power of God, reports T. H. Brabson and wife.

There are some good people in Taylor Co., who want the full gospel and some will not have the light because their hearts are evil and they love darkness rather than light. I thank God for the light of the Church of God that has gone out from this place. The homes of the good people were opened with love to us and after a while the Lord will do a good work here. It takes love to get to the hearts of men and there are a few here who see that it takes the power of God to shake down the walls of Satan.

We gave them the Word from the good old Bible. I am glad it knocks out all the forms of religion and makes us get on the solid rock which is Christ Jesus, our Lord. The enemy had to get back. I thank God for a few who stand for the truth and will walk in the light. This is a new field and there are some who are going all the way. I am looking for the Lord to break through and for a good work to be done.

Pray for us while we are in the battle for lost souls.

J. F. Abbott  
Somerset, Ky.

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## IN MEMORY OF

DAILY

On the morning of Sept. 16, 1921, God in His infinite wisdom saw best to call Sister Annie Bailey from earth to rest with Him who died for us on Calvary, age 27 years and 19 days.

She was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and had been a faithful member of the Church of God at Tusculum, N. C., for eleven years. She suffered several days and all was done that loving hands could do, but God knew best. She was heard praying God several times the last night of her life and she was in her right mind until the last. She said the last night was the best night she had ever spent on earth for the angels were passing around her all the while.

She was a devoted wife and mother and leaves to mourn her death a husband, four children, mother, four brothers and six sisters.

Her body was laid to rest in the Moss cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.

Her pastor, J. C. Hampton, Hayesville, N. C.

On Oct. 14, 1921, the death angel visited the home of M. M. Majors and claimed the spirit of his devoted wife.

She had suffered greatly for twelve months and was confined to her bed ten weeks before her death. Before the breath left her body, the Holy Ghost witnessed through her and she clasped her hands and whispered, "I am saved! Hallelujah! I can see Jesus!"

It is such a sweet consolation to know that she has left this wicked world and is resting in the arms of Jesus. She was a great lover of the Bible and during her illness she kept the Bible in her arms most of the time and her songs were, "Jesus is Keeping My Soul" and "I'll Live On."

She leaves to mourn her death, a husband, father, mother, seven brothers, one sister and a host of other relatives and friends.

We all loved her, but God in His infinite mercy and goodness loved her best. She cannot come back to us, but if we live as Jesus would have us live, we can clasp glad hands some sweet day in the heavenly skies.

One who loved her,  
Mrs. Myrtle Pierce,  
Auter, Miss.

REQUEST

My Dear Friends and Brothers:

I have been reading the Evangel and it does me good to know that there are yet some of God's people. How I do wish the Lord would send one of your preachers to Southport, N. C. Our Pentecostal people have moved away and we are about dead spiritually. I need some one to help me get back to God for these cold churches don't seem to have the power. O dear friends, do help me to get back to Him because I feel like I have wandered off in the darkness with not a ray of light, and I wonder if the Redeemer can save a poor wanderer like me.

Please pray that I will be healed and restored to the joys of my salvation. I am now sixty years of age. My wife departed this life about four years ago and my children are all married and gone. I am now alone so you see I need the Lord to be with me in my last days to comfort me.

W. W. Ruark,  
Southport, N. C.

NOTICES

Has any one a good gospel tent to exchange for a Ford car? If so, write me at once for a description of car, also describe your tent. Wanted for the Master's use.

Yours in His service,  
W. C. Sampson,  
Rt. 21, Russell, Ga.

I would like to go out in the work as a helper. The Lord blesses my work in the altar. I am willing to trust the Lord for everything. If any one needs a helper write me.

H. E. Isaac,  
1010 Glasgow Ave.,  
St. Louis, Mo.

I would like to go out in the work with a Church of God man and his wife. I can sing, testify and pray and enjoy being in the work. I am willing to go anywhere. If any one needs some one to help them, write me.

Lotha Garner,  
Cortez, Florida.

The Church of God at Rising Fawn, Ga., wants to know the whereabouts of the following and their spiritual condition: M. V. Whitehead, N. H. Owensby, Earnest Chadwick, Elizabeth Hawkins, Annie Hawkins, Edith Hawkins, Fannie Hawkins and Virginia Pace. Please let the church hear at once.

Mary McCarron,  
Rising Fawn, Ga.

SPECIAL NOTICE

To Whom This May Concern:

## REQUESTS

Mrs. John Lead, Cantwell, Mo., desires prayer for her husband.

M. A. Dorsey, Zolfo, Fla., requests all the saints to pray that he will be saved.

Mary Pierce, Ravia, Okla., asks prayer for her husband and children to be saved.

M. C. Sellers, White House, Fla., wants earnest prayer that he will receive the Holy Ghost.

Lizzie Love, Straight Creek, Ky., desires prayer that she will receive the Holy Ghost.

Glenn Hensley, Naugatuck, W. Va., requests the saints to pray that she will be perfectly healed.

Zeallie Phillips, Quebec, La., wants the saints to pray for a Church of God preacher to be sent there.

Raina Carey, Goin, Tenn., wants all the saints to pray that she will be healed of side pleurisy.

Mrs. N. E. Chappell, South Norfolk, Va., requests prayer of the saints to be healed of eczema.

Jimmie Sparks, Caruthersville, Mo., asks the saints to pray for him as he is going through a test.

David F. Smith, Miami, Fla., desires the saints to pray for his unsaved father and mother.

Jettie Hunt, Frostproof, Fla., wants the dear saints to pray for her unsaved husband to get the full blessing.

H. E. Isaac, St. Louis, Mo., requests prayer for a brother who has been called to preach, to give up everything and not be discouraged.

Liddle Highton, Ages, Ky., requests all the churches to pray that means will be supplied to build a house of worship there.

Bertram Baker, Cascilla, Miss., requests the saints to pray earnestly that he may be healed of chilblains and receive the Holy Ghost.

Mrs. Mary Holder, Alleia, Ark., requests prayer that she and her little girl will be healed and for her husband and son to be saved.

Mrs. Oma Nichols, Wannville, Ala., asks the saints to pray that her eyes will be healed and that her loved ones will see the light on holiness.

Eliza Kendall, Rosine, Ky., asks the saints to pray for Brother John Goodman's needs to be supplied as his home burned recently.

Mrs. Della Haefer, Double Springs, Ala., desires prayer that she will be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and that some Church of God people will come there.

Mrs. G. R. Graves, Walland, Tenn., wants the saints to pray earnestly that she will receive the Holy Ghost. She has no Church of God help near her.

C. C. James, Charlotte, N. C., asks the saints to earnestly pray for the healing of her body and that she will have the joy of salvation restored.

Lenor Kelly, Oliver Springs, Tenn., requests prayer that her husband will be saved and healed. He was hurt in the mines. Pray that the Lord will open up a way so she can worship with holiness people.

Mrs. Mettie Glover, Middlesex, N. C., has a five year old girl whom the Lord has touched recently so she can walk around in the room, which she has never done before. Pray that she will be completely healed as the spells she has had have affected her mind and speech.

Not Discouraged in the Least

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints—Greetings in Jesus! Dear Name:

I still have victory in my soul. Glory to God.

I have tried to do my best to help lift the burden and help set up subscriptions for the Evangel, but the people out here do not believe in the Church of God as an organized body and they do not believe in talking in tongues, but glory to God, they have to hear talking in tongues when I get to testify.

I have never seen anything in Brother Tomlinson's articles that discouraged me. Now dear brothers and sisters, let us do everything we can to go over the top and pray much. I know God does hear and answer prayer in many ways if we pray in earnest. Glory to God.

How I love this way. I have never been prouder of my salvation in my life than I am now. I have had the Holy Ghost eleven years and am a member of the dear old Church of God and can say I love her rules and government. Glory! I haven't heard a Church of God preacher preach for nearly nine months, but I am holding up the blood stained banner of Jesus Christ to a dying world and telling them that Jesus died for them. I tell them about the baptism of the Holy Ghost and the Church of God. I am not a bit discouraged for I believe some day the light will accept it later on. I wish a Church of God preacher would come here, and preach.

Your sister in Christ,  
Sarah E. Hawkins,  
Elkhart, Ind.

## APOCALYPSE

F. J. Lee

Why is the book of the Revelation sometimes called the Apocalypse? Ans. Apocalypse is the Greek for revelation; meaning to draw the veil aside, so that which was before hidden, may now be seen.

To whom and where was this revelation given? Ans. To John the last apostle, on the Isle of Patmos, thirty miles off the coast of Asia Minor.

Who cast him there and what for? Ans. The emperor Domitian, for the Word of God.

What date? Ans. About the year 95 A. D.

What is said of those that read, hear, and keep the words of this prophecy? Ans. A special blessing is pronounced upon them, Rev. 1:3.

What is the central theme of the book? Ans. Jesus Christ. Hence "Revelation of Jesus Christ."

How many divisions has the Revelation? Ans. Three.

(a) The things which thou sawest, Chapter 1:9-20.

(b) The things which are, Chapters 2 and 3.

(c) The things which shall come to pass, Chapter 4:1-22:5.

In division one, what did he see? Ans. He saw the vision related in chapter 1:9-20.

What did he see in the things which are? Ans. He saw this whole Christian dispensation.

What of the things which shall come to pass? Ans. The Revised Version says, "Come to pass after these things." (After the Christian dispensation).

Into how many periods is this last division divided? Ans. Three.

(a) The tribulation period, Chapter 21:1-22:15.

(b) The millennial reign, Chapter 20:4-15.

(c) Post millennial ages, Chapter 1:22:5.

What is the meaning of number seven? Ans. It denotes completeness or dispensational fullness.

What are some of the sevens spoken of? Ans. Seven horns, seven Spirits, seven seals, seven trumpets, seven vials, seven angels, seven churches.

Did the Lord refer to those seven churches because they were closer to Patmos than others? Ans. No, there were many closer than those mentioned.

Why then, did He reach away over some to get others? Ans. He wanted to get those that their very name and condition would correspond to a period in the Christian dispensation.

Why did He say to next to the last church, that He didn't say to the others? Ans. He would keep them from the hour of temptation that would come upon all the world to try them etc. The margin in Scofield Bible says, great tribulation.

What else shows that concerning the seven churches was prophetic? Ans. They came with the rest under the same head of that which is called prophecy, Chapter 1:3.

What else shows that the message was to the dispensational churches? Ans. The message to the first church as well as to the others was, "Hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches."

What else shows it is a message to the churches all along the gospel dispensation? Ans. The church is not mentioned after the third chapter.

What is said of Jesus walking in the midst of the golden candlesticks, holding the seven stars in His right hand? Ans. It is said to be a mystery.

What does that show? Ans. It shows that the messages to the churches were more than an ordinary message to a local church.

Was more than an ordinary message? Ans. An ordinary message would not have been a mystery.

Then what is the conclusion of the matter? Ans. The conclusion is, the message was not to the seven churches alone, but the church at seven periods of this gospel dispensation.

What will take place at the close of this gospel dispensation? Ans. All saints will be resurrected to meet the Lord in the air.

Will the resurrected saints alone meet Him? Ans. We which are alive and remain shall be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, and be caught up to meet Him in the air. 1 Cor. 13:9:1-17.

What is this called? Ans. It is termed the first resurrection; the rapture; our gathering together unto Him etc.

Who will have a part in this resurrection? Ans. "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection." Rev. 20:6.

(To be Continued)

## Plans for Young People's Evangel Drive

W. M. Chester

We have now launched a great work and our success in this great drive depends upon the efforts we put forth. We have a great opportunity now to help one of the greatest causes in this world, and we can safely say we are helping the greatest paper in circulation. We want this drive to go to the fullest extent, that is, we want EVERY ONE to feel his or her part will have to be played in order to make a success of course if the matter is left to a few it will not go far, where we expect it to. YOU will have to do your part; I will have to do my part; we will all have to do our "dead level best" to keep the thing moving.

Now, friends, we can make a great thing of this and be the means of the Evangel going into foreign countries and help in getting it printed in different languages. We ought to get this paper before the world. We haven't enough preachers now to carry the gospel fast enough and it is very comforting to know there is a paper being circulated each week that stands for the same noble principles that our ministers are preaching. We must strive to get the Evangel into new places and reach out all we can for one man or woman in a community interested can stir up and arouse the people to interest and very soon that man or woman will see an article in the Evangel about some wonderful meeting of how the Holy Ghost fell upon some and some were healed and they will run to their friends and soon they agree to send for the man who reported such. The final outcome is a Church of God established with members on fire. Thus a community is changed and the light of the Gospel is established; souls are saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. There are hundreds of incidents similar to this that could be mentioned, but I feel sure we will do our part.

The plan is this—We will mail a letter to each local church, that does not have Young People's Meeting and encourage them to do so and if there are not enough young people in any of the churches we will endeavor to get the fathers and mothers to have meetings on a certain night in interest of the young people. Next we will always take up the collection, that is, we will pay in our ten cents at these meetings and that amount will be given to the one who is appointed as secretary of the meetings. This money can be sent to me at the close of the month and all who want receipts can request same and they will be given. We are arranging a care full record of this and every penny will be accounted for on the ledger.

The one in charge of the meetings should always make a short talk on taking up the collection and keep it before the people as new ones will be coming in all the time.

You can generally look over your congregation and estimate about what you can get and if they do not seem to respond, try to continue this part of the service and make it more impressive and give them another chance to give. Then the meeting can be given over to the usual worship.

Those who cannot attend meetings can send their offerings in once a month and tell by whom sent and for what purpose and if you wish you can give the place of your membership so we can credit that church with the amount you send. It does not excuse you if you cannot attend meeting you can help send the Evangel. Each of us is also expected to secure one subscriber for the Evangel every two months and this is something all can do. If you just don't have time to get out and see your friends just send one dollar every two months and give their names and we will send the Evangel to them. This is not hard to do. We can do this easily I am sure.

Think what ten thousand of us can do by meeting together and praying and giving ten cents every week and securing one subscriber every two months for a year. We cannot tell what will be done. God alone could answer the matter and make it known to us at the judgment. But we do know if we meet together and pray and worship once a week we will be built up in spiritual things and the whole world will feel the weight of our prayers and by giving ten cents a week we will have given at the close of the year fifty-four thousand dollars on the Evangel. We cannot tell what this will mean for if we had this amount we could start the paper in other languages and this gospel could be carried to all the nations for a witness. Therefore, we cannot tell how much good the ten cent drive will do to God.

The getting of one subscriber by each of us every two months will increase the circulation of the Evangel sixty thousand by the close of the year. We will all have to work hard. We can do this. If in no other way we can give the money and send the paper ourselves.

THE SUBSCRIPTION CONTEST for which we offer prizes to the three who get the largest number of subscriptions for the Evangel will be separate from the regular subscription drive. That is, each of us is expected to secure six subscriptions this year, but those who want to enter the contest can count the six subscriptions in their list as a contest number. In other words, we are expected to secure six subscriptions this year but not necessarily all have to enter the contest.

But the good that will be done will be wonderful and the increase in the circulation will mean much to hungry dying men and women and besides this the volume of the Evangel bound in this black book covering with your name printed thereon will be very valuable. After the close of the contest you can have your testimony in

## REVIVAL AT MARYVILLE, TENN.

Held by L. G. Rouse

Dear Evangel Readers—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

We are praising God because He has linked together a little flock of believers according to Mark 16:17, "And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover."

In regard to taking up serpents. One night there was a black diamond rattler, five feet long, brought in during the services and God gave us power to handle it. Praise His dear name. The Lord surely did bless during the time. It was really a foretaste of heaven. The saints, remarked about the sweet spirit.

The next sign was laying hands on the sick. A sinner girl was pronounced by the doctor to have tuberculosis of the bone and said she would not walk for eighteen months or two years. The mother called us to pray for her girl and, praise His name, what do you think happened? Just what James 5:15 said would happen. "And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him." Her sins were forgiven and she was healed and came to church. In Matt. 19:26, we read, "But Jesus beheld them, and said unto him, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible." It was God who did the work for us.

Another sign was given unto the people just like what happened on the day of Pentecost, Acts 2:3. "And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them." After meeting sinners came to us and said they saw a streak of fire start from L. G. Rouse's head on around mine and my husband's heads and back to Brother Rouse and as the fire reached each one the mighty sweet power of God quickened our mortal bodies and sinners were made to believe. Praise God.

Messages in tongues were given out and interpreted and many other signs were wrought and, praise the Lord, when the signs were seen to be following us, people began to believe.

There were 29 saved, 29 sanctified, 27 baptized with the Holy Ghost and 27 baptized in water. On the second night of October, Brother H. N. Seagrins visited our meeting and set a church in order with 27 members.

We have a church house rented and rent paid in advance. We also organized a Sunday school the 16th with seventy-five members and eight visitors. Every body is very much interested and we are expecting great work to be done in this town by our new members because God said our work would prosper.

A sister in the work,  
Mrs. Dewie Bailey,  
Maryville, Tenn.

REQUEST

We wish to thank those who have sent in copies of back dates of the Evangel as they have helped us greatly, but in arranging them for binding I find that we still lack the following dates so we call upon our friends for them. These are very important and if you can spare them at all please do so. I will be willing to pay for the papers and the trouble if desired.

Below is given the numbers that are missing:

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I wish to thank somebody in advance for these papers. I will ask whoever finds and sends them that they will either purchase a large envelope or send to me for an envelope and send them sealed as first class mail. I consider them very valuable and do not want to risk sending like papers are usually wrapped after they are found.

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## THE TRINITY

### Three Persons in the Godhead

Mrs. Clyde Haynes

In these last days there are many winds of doctrine blowing, and the enemy of our souls is abroad in the earth seeking whom he may devour—not only as a roaring lion but also as an angel of light. It behooves every child of God to watch and pray and study God's Word and walk in the old paths marked out so plainly therein.

One of the doctrines which is contrary to the Word of God is the "New Light" doctrine, which denies the Trinity of the Godhead or the three distinct persons, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. This is a very dangerous teaching to become entangled with, causing us to deny God the Father and God the Holy Ghost as distinct persons; for the Word teaches that they are just as separate or distinct as Jesus is.

In the beginning when God had formed the earth, separated the light from the darkness, divided the waters from the land; then caused the earth to bring forth the grass, herbs, and trees, and had placed the sun, moon and stars in the firmament to give light, and for signs, and for seasons, and days; had created the fowl of the air, the fish of the sea, the beasts and cattle, and every creeping thing; and saw that it was good. He said, "Let us make man in OUR image, after our likeness." Gen. 1:26. In these words spoken by God it is plainly shown that there is more than one person in the Godhead. It would have been useless for God to have uttered these words if there were only one person.

In Gen. 2:24, we find that God made Adam and Eve one flesh, and in Gen. 5:2, He calls both of them by the same name, Adam. Though they were one in the flesh or natural and bore the same name, as husband and wife, yet they were two distinct or separate persons. In the same way, God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost are three distinct, divine, eternal persons, yet one in their divinity, glory and power, all working together as one in the great divine Godhead or Deity, and all bearing the same name, God, which is a unipersonal name which means STRENGTH or THE STRONG ONE. This name is applied to the Deity or Godhead in the same sense that husband, wife and children all bear the same name, yet are distinct or separate persons.

It is significant that the name Lord is not found in the first chapter of Genesis, but follows the creation of man mentioned in the second chapter. We can see that Lord, which is Jehovah in the Hebrew, is the redemptive name of the Godhead. When sin entered and redemption became necessary, it was the Lord God or Jehovah God that sought the sinning ones. Gen. 3:21. This shows His relation to man as in authority over man, and as creating and governing the earthly relationship of man. At Gen. 3:22, "And the LORD GOD said, Behold, the man is become as one of us." This also denotes more than one person. Then after the flood when man began to build the tower of Babel that should reach unto heaven, the Lord said, "Let us go down, and there confound their language." When God makes such declarations as these, in which, according to the laws of human speech, there are expressions indicating unity and plurality, we need none to declare Him to us and show us plainly of the Father, Jesus Christ is the faithful and true witness who has been sent to reveal God to man. When Jesus was baptized in the river Jordan we were given plain evidence of the three persons in the Godhead. Jesus the Son was baptized, in Jordan by John, the Holy Spirit descended upon Him and the Father spoke out of heaven and His voice was heard, saying, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." Matt. 3:17. Here God the Father and God the Holy Ghost both acknowledge Jesus as the Son, and was witness sent from God, and He is God manifest in the flesh, Jesus said, "All things are delivered unto me of my Father; and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him." Matt. 11:27.

Before a witness can testify on a given case in any court of our land, he must show that his character is such that he will not perjure himself, but will tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. Then he must show that he has a direct knowledge of the facts in the case. We know that Jesus is duly qualified to witness as to His identity, His character and His competency. He tells us in John 14:6, "I am the way, the truth, and the life." "And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ." 1 John 5:20. Before He came into the world in flesh He was the "Word," for John declares, "In the beginning was the WORD, and the word was with God, and the word was God." John 1:1. John also declares in the 14th verse that "the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us." We can see that when the identity of Jesus is to be established, that the most scrupulous care must be given to the way it is done. John tells us in few words about the BEING of the WORD before creation. "In the BEGINNING was the WORD," next, the HOME of the WORD, "and the word was with God;" then He shows the NATURE of the WORD, "and the word was GOD." He summed up his statements as to the BEING, the HOME and the NATURE of the WORD in one great sentence in which the identity of the

Word is set forth. "The same was in the beginning with God." Having established the identity of the WORD as to His being, His home, and His nature, John then tells us of the ADVENT of the WORD into the world, by saying, "and the WORD WAS MADE FLESH, and dwelt among us," that is, He lived in His fleshly body among us. This is followed by the announcement concerning the mission of the WORD, who is then called the Son of God, "The only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth." In this announcement, John also sets forth the relation of the incarnate WORD, the Son, to the invisible God, the Father.

"No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him." John 1:18. Once more, in order that there may be no possibility of error as to the Word and the Son being the same identical person who was called and sent as a witness, John tells us that the home of the Son and the home of the Word is the same identical home, that is, "in the bosom of the Father," or with God. Then the conclusion of the whole matter is, that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and the Word are the same person, and that God, with whom the Word was in the beginning, and the Father in whose bosom the Son is, is the same person, and that the Son is one and the Father is another. In John 8:18, Jesus says, "I am one that bear witness of myself, and the Father that sent me beareth witness of me." In John 5:32 He says, "There is another that beareth witness of me; and I know that the witness which he witnesseth of me is true." Jesus also testifies at John 14:9, saying, "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father." For three and one-half years, the Son testified by word and deed, concerning the Father, yet the being of Jesus was so shrouded in mystery that Philip said, "Shew us the Father and it sufficeth us." At this point Jesus begins to tell of "another" witness, whom He would send from the Father, and that He should teach them all things, and bring all things to their remembrance, whatsoever He had said unto them. In John 14:20, He told them, "at that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you."

Thus we find that Jesus taught the unity and tri-personality of God and, in doing so, He selected such words and arranged them in such a manner—into phrases, sentences, and paragraphs, which, according to the laws which govern human speech, establish in the most convincing manner, the doctrine of the unity and plurality of persons in the Godhead. When Jesus speaks of Himself as a witness He says, "I am one that bear witness." When He referred to the Father He said, "There is another that beareth witness of me." When Jesus begins to tell His perplexed disciples of the advent of the Spirit of truth, whom the Father, in answer to His request, would send in His name, even the Spirit of truth which proceedeth from the Father, He speaks of the Spirit as "another Comforter." It is one of the laws of human speech that when anything is distinct from something else of the same kind, the precise Word or words are selected which will convey that particular distinction. So we see Jesus uses the pronoun adjectives ONE, and ANOTHER, and ANOTHER when speaking of Himself, and the Father, and the Holy Spirit, as distinct, yet related personalities in the one Godhead. We also find when John warns believers of the consequences connected with the departure from the teaching of Jesus, he says, "Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son." The word BOTH is a correlative, copulative conjunction, joining the two correlated names, Father and Son. This plainly shows that the Father and Son are to each other related personalities and that he who denies such teaching, John says, "He hath not God." 2 John 9.

Since the Holy Spirit is another witness introduced by Jesus, we will give the testimony of the Holy Spirit who inspired the writer of Hebrews, and in the first verses of the first chapter of this epistle says, "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high." Again Paul says at Col. 1:12, "Giving thanks unto us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son." "who is the image of the invisible God." He says in 2 Cor. 4:18, "If our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: in whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the IMAGE OF THE INVISIBLE GOD, should shine unto them."

We know the Word says, "In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established." 2 Cor. 13:1. We have before us here three testimonies that our Lord Jesus, the Son of God, is the image of the invisible God, and one of these witnesses declares positively that He (Jesus) is the express (clear, plain) image of His PERSON. "No man hath seen God at any time (for God is invisible to man)." John 1:18. But many have seen Jesus, His image, for He is visible, and we shall soon see Him as He is, for we shall be like Him, Praise His name! We know that according to a fixed law in nature, that there can be no IMAGE without an OBJECT, also that the

OBJECT and the IMAGE thereof are as reported as to be distinct or separate from each other. Here the Father, who is the object, and the Son, who is the image, are distinct and yet identical as to essence or being. In 2 Cor. 8:18, Paul says, "But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord." Here the Trinity is pictured in the analogy of a looking glass, in which the image of an object is seen. The invisible God, the Father, answers to the object, Jesus, who is the Son of the Father, answers to the image of the object seen in the glass; the Spirit of the Lord answers to the glass in which the image is seen, "and where the Spirit of the Lord (who is the promised Holy Ghost or Spirit of truth) is, there is liberty." Through the Holy Spirit, who answers to the looking glass, we have an open vision of Jesus, "Who is the image of the invisible God." Col. 1:15. As we keep our eyes on Jesus, our blessed Lord, we are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ: who shall change our vile body, that it may be FASHIONED LIKE UNTO HIS GLORIOUS BODY, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself." Phil. 3:20, 21. "God (who is the invisible object) is a Spirit; and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." John 4:24. Jesus, who is the image of the Father was raised from the dead with His glorified body and in this way, we shall have our vile body changed like unto His glorious body. After His resurrection when His vile or corruptible body had been changed into a glorified or incorruptible body He appeared in the midst of the disciples as they were gathered together, but as they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit, He said unto them, "Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself; handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not FLESH and BONES, as ye see me have." Luke 24:39. Here we see that Jesus is not a spirit, but He has a glorified body, just as we shall have when our vile bodies of corruption shall be changed into glorified incorruptible bodies. We are also told in Acts 1:4-11, that Jesus had commanded the disciples that they should not depart from Jerusalem but tarry for the promise of the Father, and that they should receive power after the Holy Ghost was come upon them, and they should be witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they looked, steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; which also said, ye men of Galilee, which stand ye gazing up into heaven? THIS SAME JESUS, which is taken up from you into heaven, SHALL SO COME IN LIKE MANNER AS YE HAVE SEEN HIM GO INTO HEAVEN." So we are looking for our Lord to come in His glorified body just as He went away, for the Word tells us so. "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord (this same Jesus, who is the image of God) in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord." 1 Thes. 4:16-18. "Then cometh the end, when he shall have DELIVERED UP THE KINGDOM TO GOD, EVEN THE FATHER; when he (Jesus the Son) shall have PUT DOWN ALL RULE AND ALL AUTHORITY AND POWER. For he (Jesus) must reign TILL HE HATH PUT ALL ENEMIES UNDER HIS FEET. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For he (God the Father) hath put all things under his (Jesus') feet. But when he (the Father) saith all things are put under him (Jesus the Son), it is manifest that he (the Father) is excepted (excluded), which did put all things under him (the Son). And when ALL THINGS SHALL BE SUBDUED UNTO HIM (the Son), THEN SHALL THE SON ALSO HIMSELF BE SUBJECT UNTO HIM (the Father) that put all things under him, that God may be all in all." 1 Cor. 15:24-28.

Our beloved Brother Paul's benediction to the Corinthian church proved that there are three persons in the Godhead. "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen." 2 Cor. 13:14.

Just as there are three separate or distinct persons in the Godhead, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, so there are three dispensations or periods of time in which each of these persons in the Godhead have dealt with the human family.

First came the dispensation of the Father. "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son." Heb. 1:1, 2. The dispensation or period of time in which the Father dealt with man is recorded in God's Word from Genesis to Malachi. All through the dispensation of the Father, He promised that at the close of His dispensation He would bestow a great gift upon man, even Jesus His only begotten Son, as the propitiation for our sins. At the close of the Father's dispensation we find He kept His promise and sent "His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh," Rom. 8:3, and gave Him a

fleshy or human name, "Jesus." Matt. 1:21, for He was to give up His life a sacrifice for the sin of man.

Second came the dispensation of the Son, which we find recorded by Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Just as the Father had a gift to bestow upon man to redeem us from sin, even so we find the Son (whose fleshly name is Jesus) tells us over and over again, that He longs to bestow a great gift, the Holy Ghost, upon those who believe on Him. During His ministry we find Him urging His disciples the importance of their receiving the Holy Ghost whom He would send at the close of His dispensation. Jesus' ministry seemed somewhat limited as He was in the flesh and could be in only one place at a time, yet His object in coming was to shed His blood to sanctify or cleanse our hearts from sin. Heb. 13:12. In John 16:7, Jesus said, "It is expedient for you that I go away; for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you." So just as the Father kept His promise and sent His Son, a gift of love to the sinner, the Son (Jesus who is the image of the Father) kept His word and prayed the Father, whom He went away, to send the Holy Ghost, His gift to the believer.

Third came the dispensation of the Holy Ghost which began on the day of Pentecost, recorded in the second chapter of Acts. The Holy Ghost did not come with a fleshly body, but is a spirit, and has come to dwell in our hearts, which are His temple, and when He comes in He takes our vocal organs and speaks with them in other tongues or languages. We are told in John 16:13, that when the Holy Ghost, who is "the Spirit of truth," is come, He will guide into all truth. "He shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he SPEAK." He shall testify of Jesus. John 15:26. "He will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment." John 16:8. He will endue us with power from on high, Luke 24:49. The last words of Jesus, just before He ascended and the clouds received him out of their sight, as recorded in Luke 24:49 and Acts 1:8, were concerning the importance of tarrying and receiving the Holy Ghost whom He would send. We are still living in the dispensation of the Holy Ghost and will be living in it until Jesus comes to set up His reign upon earth.

We can now understand why this last command of Jesus before He ascended as recorded in Matt. 28:19, was given: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." This represents each person of the Godhead, who has dealt with man during His dispensation, and in each dispensation the three persons of the Godhead, though separate and distinct, are manifested as working together, so the conjunction "in one name of the three affirms equality and oneness of substance. Therefore, we should obey the command of Jesus and be baptized just as He has commanded, and thus be sure we are right.

Peter told the Jews on the day of Pentecost at Acts 2:38 to repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins. The Jews believed in God but had not believed on Jesus the Son for the remission of their sins, therefore, Peter was urging them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, whom they had condemned and crucified. In the Scriptures the Apostles are constantly pointing the people to "the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world," therefore, they commanded the people to be baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus who had been condemned and crucified. This does not prove that the formula, "Lord Jesus," was used alone in baptism, for in using the words given by Jesus, "Baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost," they would have acknowledged the Son, who was Jesus Christ.

These are truly perilous times in which we are living, and our only safety is in standing on God's Word rightly divided. The Word gives us warning so many times not to be deceived. "Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils." 1 Tim. 4:1. Jesus said, "For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect." Matt. 24:24. Let us obey the command of Jesus, Matt. 28:19, 20.

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## Wants to S and True

Dear Evangel Readers—Greetings in Jesus' Name:  
I praise God for what He has done for me. I was saved about three months ago and on Oct. 11, 1921, the dear Lord sanctified and gave me the blessed Holy Ghost. Praise His dear name!  
We are having a good meeting here. The Lord blessed in many wonderful ways. Brother Pool is our pastor.  
I want all the saints to pray for my brothers and sisters that they may heed the call as I have. Pray that I may stand true to Jesus and do more for Him than I have ever done.  
Your sister in Christ,  
Sallie Davidson,  
Ivanhoe, Va.

## The Holy Ghost is Reproducing Pentecost, Look Up!

J. M. Oliver

"Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." 2 Tim. 3:12.

The last great crisis is now upon us. The latter rain is now falling and has been for several years. That is to ripen the harvest for the end. It has stirred all Christendom from center to circumference. Lepers have been cleansed; the sick have been healed; the dead have been raised to life and the poor have had the gospel preached to them in the power of the Spirit. If all the pages were written that might be written about what God has actually wrought during the last eight or twelve years it would make a book ten times the size of the Acts of the Apostles.

The whole of Christendom has had a chance to accept it or turn it down. Most of the churches brand it as of the devil. The rest said emphatically it was not of God. Men occupying the most eminent positions in the religious world have thrown their influence against it. From platform, pulpit and press, it has been denounced in the most vehement terms. Dr. Campbell Morgan said, "It was the last vomit of Satan." Dr. Dixon said, "It was wicked and adulterous." Dr. Torrey said, "It was anti-Christian." Dr. Godbey in a book called "Tongues and Demons" denounced it as *sensational and devilish*. Indeed if we were to mention all the names of the men who are considered great in the realms of Christendom who have bitterly assailed this movement it would take up all our available space and time, but it is of no use, it is moving on just the same. Praise God.

"Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." And this movement has been well fed on persecution, by all Praise God. It is a difficult matter to find a man with a religious reputation who has not openly declared himself as its enemy. There is no movement since the days of the apostles that has had to fight its way through such unrelenting hostility from church and state as the so-called "Tongues Movement." It has suffered from the hands of its friends as well as its enemies. Its blood money has purchased many a cozy pulpit with a graveyard at the back in which to bury strangers. They have preached its funeral and solemnly laid it to rest with the other troublesome religious freaks, but like Samuel it has risen to freeze the blood of monarchs with its prophecies and declares to the Lord's anointed that He has become their enemy. That because they have rejected Him, He also has rejected them. Many a preacher's heart has been touched at this religious outcast's pitiful case, and invited it to leave off worshipping in old barns and cast off storehouses and come in and enjoy the elaborate surroundings of his church. However, it was not long before he saw his mistake and turned it out again. Nearly every member has suffered an experience like this.

Say, what did Gamaliel, a doctor of the law, tell that council when they had Peter and the other apostles in common prison and the angel turned them out? Read Acts 5:17-42, and especially read verses 36-38. Then do not miss the 39th verse.  
The following was taken from the Last Great Conflict by A. J. Tomlinson. It is the heart of this letter:  
"I want to add or relate an incident that happened in Cherokee Co., N. C., in the year 1896. Three men who lived in Monroe Co., Tenn., became much enthused religiously and were powerfully wrought on by the Spirit of God. These men went over from Monroe Co., Tenn., to Cherokee Co., N. C., and commenced a meeting at the Shearer schoolhouse.

"They preached a clean gospel and urged the people to seek and obtain sanctification subsequent to justification. They prayed, fasted and wept before the Lord until a great revival was the result. People became interested and were stirred for miles around. Quite a large number professed salvation through the blood of Christ. The Baptist and Methodist churches became antagonistic to the wonderful revival that was spreading and about thirty were excluded from the Baptist church at one time because they professed to live a holy life which the church denounced as here-

by. "So persecution broke in; four or five houses were burned where people were getting saved. At one time one hundred and six men, composed of Methodist and Baptist ministers, stewards and deacons, one justice of the peace and one sheriff, banded themselves together to put down the revival, even by violence, if that were the only way it could be accomplished. They deliberately tore down and burned the house where sinners were getting saved. Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecutions."

"The persecution was so hard they burnt down houses so the meetings were moved to the house of W. F. Bryant, and the power and glory increased. It was while the meetings were in progress there that seven men banded themselves together to stop the work and one day rode to the home of Mr. Bryant and demanded him to stop the meetings, and also forbid him to have prayers with his family. The meeting was continued amid threats, showers of stones and rains of lead." Hallelujah. Glory to God!

However, unlike all other religious movements it thrives on this kind of treatment. When the writer of

this article received the experience described in Acts 2:4, he thought that he could go back and occupy the same pulpit he left to seek this experience, but he found to his surprise that he could no longer accommodate himself to his surroundings. This troubled him at first and he sought God's face for an explanation. It soon came, and was entirely satisfactory. The Spirit said, "Look at Isaiah 28:20." On looking up that passage these words stood out as if they were in raised type, "For the bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it; and the covering narrower than that he can wrap himself in it."

We believe that this faith was once for all delivered. It is available for us today if we have the faith; and daring to claim it, God has been restoring this faith in a fragmentary manner in the last twelve years. Some lepers have been cleansed, but they have not all been cleansed. Some sick folks have been healed in answer to prayer, but they have not all been healed. However, it stands recorded in the Acts of the apostles. "And they were healed every one."

What the Pentecostal people have been raised up for, especially speaking, is to obey the Word of God just as it stands, and "cannestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."

The nine gifts of the Spirit are just as much needed among God's people today as they were in the days of Paul. These mighty gifts are beginning to appear and inspire us to continue in this noble contest. The apostle Paul tells us in the 8th chapter of Romans that the whole of God's creation is groaning and waiting for the manifestation of the sons of God. It is significant that he does not mention the rapture or the coming of Jesus or the millennial kingdom.

The promise is as true today as in the early days. If you believe you shall see the glory of God. Beloved, the time is near and it remains that some must enter in. They will be those who have walked in God's light and are believers for this very thing. This will be sudden, startling, revolutionary. It will set all hell in pandemonium; it will prove an earthquake shock to the religious world; priests, prelate and preacher will turn pale with superstitious awe. Every church pulpit in the earth will rock and fall. Every man's faith will be tried and the faith once delivered to the saints will stand forth above the wreck of ages.

God is going to shake every thing that can be shaken. There is not much time to lose, the fruits of the resurrection are again to be put on exhibition. The name above every name is going to flash from tongues of fire. Diseases will give way; death will yield its prey; demons will flee in terror back to the infernal regions; hypocrites will be discerned and exposed; liars will be struck dead; false shepherds will find no oak for their sin and will try to drown conviction by persecuting God's people; the courage of martyrdom will again manifest itself; torches will blaze; the blood will flow and the cup of suffering will be filled to the brim. These coming events cast their shadows before. The Spirit is speaking expressly. Take the wing of faith. Tarry, wait for it, for you will need it. Praises to our great King!

## The Full Gospel of Christ

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints Everywhere—Greetings in Jesus' Name:  
I am praising God this morning for victory over sin and the devil, and for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the blessed Holy Ghost, the twenty-second of last February and it is just as sweet to me now as it was the night I received it. Praise God!  
I want to praise God for ever sending Brother and Sister Heath to this place to preach the full gospel of Christ. I am a member of the great Church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth, and praising God for it. I haven't been a member very long, but long enough to love the teaching and government of the church.  
Your sister in Christ,  
Aline James,  
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## Wants the Holy Ghost

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ—Greetings in Jesus' Name:  
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I want you all to pray that God will baptize me with the Holy Ghost and fire. Praise God. I do not want to be a slacker and I see the light on this blessing and I must have it. I am so glad that I can say as the Psalmist did, "The Lord is my shepherd, and bless His holy name, I feel ready to go where He leads me. Amen."

I am so glad I ever learned to love and trust Him. I want to ever be ready to answer, "Lord, here am I, send me." And when my time of departure draws near I can say as Paul said in 2 Tim. 4:7, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." And if I can say this and then read the eighth verse and see what will be laid up for me, "A crown of righteousness." Oh, bless His holy name!  
Saints, pray for me and my husband and baby.

I would be glad to hear from any of the saints who feel led to write to me.  
Your sister in Christ,  
Lillie Dorman,  
Ben Wheeler, Tex.



## THE CHURCH

John Hockeramith

The great unity among the children of God has given rise to a question in the minds of most people sometimes in their lives, as to which is the real Church. Unity does not mean union, but a oneness of purpose, faith and doctrine. Unity of government is no less essential for the believer than the unity of doctrine.

There are those who despise government, that is, they do not want any one to have the rule over them, so they become disobedient and despisers of that which is good. If they cannot rule they ruin. This spirit has been the cause of a great deal of the destructive work among the holy people. I speak of them as the holy people for no other kind will enter in. My heart's desire and prayer to God for years past is that God would bring His children into a place of unity before Him where they might all speak the same thing, be in the same mind and have the same care one for another. For a long time I have seen that there was something wrong as there is one Lord, one faith, one God, and Father of all and all have the one faith, not many, for many causes confusion and the Word says that God is not the author of confusion. Jesus did not say that He would build many churches but, "Upon this rock I will build my church." His intention was to establish one corporate body and not sanction so many different ideas of men which are so conflicting in doctrine and faith.

In John 10:16, Jesus said it should be as a sheep-fold. "And there shall be one fold, and one shepherd." Every man who is honest in truth and purpose wants to know the truth. Jesus said in John 8:32, "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Paul in speaking of truth said, in 1 Tim. 3:15, that the church of the living God is the pillar and ground of the truth. And without controversy great is the Church of God that is getting us free from fads, doctrines and ideas of men and bringing us in to the one flock. Though all claim to worship the same God and to be led of the same Spirit, does God tell us that there are three persons in the godhead and others that Jesus is the only one? Why should He tell to one body of believers that sprinkling was baptism and to another that immersion is the mode? Surely some of these are false for God is not the author of confusion but of peace.

It is no wonder the world stands off, to ridicule the so-called churches of today for no two agree. There are over seven hundred different sects in the world and all divided as well as the so-called Pentecostal people. This is all caused by a contradictory view of the Word. Solomon had seven hundred wives, but God told him to take only the one, so one woman was the faithful wife and from the Church of God the faithful wife of Christ will be taken. Where are the others coming in with their claims? In seeing so much confusion we are made to cry out, Where, O where will we find the flock of His pasture, the place where they dwell together in unity? We need not to grope over this world of confusion for it, but just look inside of God's Word and find what it is and what He called it, what the doctrine is and who is the head of it. Praise God! After a careful perusal of the Word and honest prayerful consecration to God of all our ideas and theories that we had carried about with us so long then we come to the conclusion that there is but one church recognized in the Word and that is the Church of God. Notice where the name is given in 1 Cor. 1:2; 15:9; 2 Cor. 1:1; 1 Tim. 3:5; Gal. 1:13. For the foundation. Eph. 2:20. Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner stone. In Matt. 16:18, "And upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." We see that the church was not born but built and it has a sure foundation and no man can lay save that which is laid so we may rightly infer that there is no other church save that which He founded and authorized to do business for God which is the Church of God. The Church of God is apostolic and teaches the same doctrine as the apostles did and the signs are following the believers, also the gifts of the Holy Ghost as recorded in 1 Cor. 12th chapter. Some may say the name doesn't have everything to do with it, but the name has its significance in the Bible.

If the parents of John the Baptist had named him any thing else but that which the angel said he should be called, God's plan would have been thwarted to such an extent as to have robbed it of its completeness. Many biblical incidents could be mentioned wherein there was significance in the name so the name of the Church lends glory and honor to Him who gave His life and shed His blood for it, the Church that He might cleanse it and present it to Himself a glorious church not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that it should be holy and without blemish. "For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. This is a great mystery; but I speak concerning Christ and the church."

This is the day of preparation and the Holy Ghost is sealing the bride, the Lamb's wife, those whose lives are found worthy and God has laid His hand on for service in the body whether it is an apostle, pastor, teacher, helper or doorkeeper and should respect each other's responsibility and recognize those who have the rule over them for they watch for their souls.

God sets the members in the body, as it pleases Him so we are set in, not born into the Church, and they added

unto the Church daily. The Lord's Church should be in perfect order, no slandering, quarreling, backbiting, pleasure loving, card playing nor worldliness of any kind but will be bound together with cords of divine love and with the same care one for another, going on unto perfection until we all come to the unity of the faith, for the work of the ministry, for the spreading of the gospel and for the edifying of the body which is the Church.

As we study the Word we can see we are living in the last hours of this dispensation and it just makes us draw a little closer together knowing that the members of the bride will have oil in their vessels when the cry goes forth, "Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him." Justified, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost; healed by His stripes and added to the dear old Church of God. The Church of God is not turning to the world for favors but has faith in the living God.

I am glad the Church of God has a people scattered over the world who are in reality longing and looking for something even though they might not be able to find the name, but we have found the name, the Church of God, with headquarters at Cleveland, Tenn., that will give them something to turn to from this sickening mockery of so-called religion and where they may feel the real warmth of fellowship and love unknown elsewhere save in the Church of God and where we can hear the voice of God saying, "These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb." Glory and honor to Him forever and ever.

Truly we are thanking God for the knowledge of the true Church. God is endeavoring to get His people in to His fold for the last time for the dispensation is coming to a close very fast. As the people are becoming more heedless every day we want to cry with a still louder voice to the slumbering ones, "Awake thou that sleepest, and \* \* \* Christ shall give thee light."

My dear brethren, let us pray earnestly that God might move upon the hearts and minds of His people in a mighty way that they may get the true light on the Church of God. So many true children of God are wandering around, tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine and away from the fold. The Lord said there should be one fold and one shepherd. I praise God for the dear old Church of God. She will always stand for the gates of hell shall not prevail against it!

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Dear Evangel Readers:  
I am praising and thanking the Lord for full and free salvation. I was saved and sanctified Aug. 13, 1921, and filled with the Holy Ghost Aug. 27, 1921. I am so glad I am in this way. This way grows sweeter every day. I want to be a light for Jesus everywhere I go. I am so glad Brother G. G. Williams came to Bude preaching the gospel and that I saw the light on holiness. I am praising Him for the way of holiness that leads from earth to heaven. In Heb. 12:14, we find, "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord."

If you want to go to heaven you must have the Spirit of Christ in you and He will keep you from all sin so you can go all the way.  
My mother and sister have the Holy Ghost and my father is seeking. Pray for him to receive the blessing soon. Also pray for my sister who is sick and pray for us to stay humble at Jesus' feet.  
Your little sister in Christ,  
Jessie Reemer,  
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### Glad She Received the Light

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Name:  
I am praising God for what He has done for me. I am a girl sixteen years of age. I have been a member of the Baptist church ever since I was eleven years of age, my step-mother had often told me that some day I would find out I wasn't saved. So about one year ago God sent me Church of God preachers to our home and I began to see the light and think for myself. I walked in the light and the Lord wonderfully saved, sanctified and baptized me with the blessed Holy Ghost and added me to the great Church of God, the only true church of today. How I praise Him because I am in the real church.

Your humble little sister,  
Carrie Longmire,  
Gloster, Miss.

## Wants to Wear Whole Armour

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Precious Name:

I want to praise God for real victory through the blood of Jesus. I praise Him for salvation wrought in my soul by the mighty working power of God. I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, with the evidence of speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives the utterance. Glory to God!

I want to be a soul winner for Jesus and wear the whole armour of God that I may withstand the wiles of the devil and about the victory in the face of every foe. Pray for me.  
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I am praising God this morning for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost and adding me to the great Church of God; O how I do love her teaching and government. Jesus said: "And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Matt. 16:18. I praise Him because He let me see the light on this glorious church, the only church He established. Praise God!

I am praising God for His wonderful healing power that heals me when I get sick. I am so glad I can trust Him with both body and soul.

Your sister in Christ,  
Icie Lentz,  
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Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

I want to sound a note of praise for my blessed Savior. I am so glad that I can truly say I can feel the sweet presence of the precious Holy Ghost dwelling within. I praise God because He one time gloriously saved me, sanctified and baptized me with the blessed Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues. Acts 2:4.

I belong to the great Church of God, which Jesus purchased with His own blood and said: "And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Matt. 16:18.

I am so glad the full gospel has been preached here and the saints are on fire for Jesus.  
I am praising God for His wonderful healing power that heals me when I am sick and suffering. O how wonderful it is to trust in Jesus when you are sick, the Bible tells us in James 5:14, "Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord." We know these words are true for we have trusted them. Although the battle seems very hard at times, if we keep on praying the victory we will win. O the joy and happiness we have in trusting in Jesus. My soul is overflowing with the love of Jesus until I can't tell how wonderful it really is.  
Pray for me, dear saints, that I will stand true and be a soul winner for Him.  
Your sister in Christ,  
Mrs. Rosa Martin,  
Lawrenceville, Ill.

### 'Tis Sweet To Trust in Jesus

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

I am praising God this morning for full and free salvation through the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. I am praising the Lord for showing me this marvelous light on holiness. "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." Heb. 12:14.

I am praising God because I am on the solid rock that never will give way and fall. Praise His precious name. I praise Him for being saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost at the age of sixteen. Hallelujah! I praise Him because I haven't taken a dose of medicine since I received the precious Holy Ghost which was over a year ago. I am so glad I have learned to trust Him with my body as well as with my soul.

Oh, the joy bells of heaven that ring in my soul when I think of what a wonderful friend we have in Jesus, who helps us bear all our sorrows, troubles and takes us through every temptation. Praise His name!

Pray for my unsaved loved ones that they will wake up and be saved before it is too late.

Your sister in Christ,  
Mrs. Naomi Banister,  
Ensley, Ala.

## THE FIRST DAY OF THE ASSEMBLY

(Continued from page 1)

But this one thing we know, we are nineteen churches strong and our members number 416 so now we'll sing a song.

Now beloved brethren, yes, and sisters too.  
If you want to go to Texas, there is plenty there to do.  
And if you stand by the Church of God the Texas churches will stand by you.

But they want her teaching clean and straight and they want you to live it too.

And when you get to Texas, a hearty welcome you'll receive,  
And the Lord sure will stand by you, if you'll not His Spirit grieve.

And when you reach her borders, don't think here I'll stop  
But just keep preaching and shouting till you go over the Cap Rock.

And away out on the plains of Texas, the Church of God you'll find,  
And some true baptized people, Oh, how their faces shine!

There the Church of God is shining and according to His Word  
The people to her are flocking and saying such as this we have never seen nor heard.

Well now we may not look so fancy dressed and may not look so fine,  
But if you'll meet us at the marriage supper, you'll see how the Texas saints will shine.

There are many interesting things that could be mentioned of the different states, but space will not permit at this time.

Every state made a cry for workers for the harvest is ripe and the laborers are few. They cannot spread out and accomplish the work that they should unless the Lord sends more workers into the harvest field.

After each state would respond the representatives with their banners would march around the Auditorium, singing, shouting and praising God. It made one think of the time when the saints who have been redeemed by the blood of the Lamb will march into the city of God. There was rejoicing today when the saints told of the sheaves they had gathered for the past year, but then the saints will march in bringing in all the sheaves. Some day the battles will have all been fought and the victories won then those great pearly gates will swing open and if we are faithful and true to our Savior and to the teachings of the great Church of God, we will march into that city waving the banners and shouting the praises of our King.

All who have attended the Assembly today have a greater determination to stand true to the Church of God—the body of Christ, and be more loyal to her teaching and government than ever before and to put forth greater efforts to go into all the world and preach the gospel and to teach them to observe all things whatsoever He has commanded. "And, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen!"

The Devil Will Try to Deceive

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Precious Name:

I want to praise my blessed Savior who has done so much for me. He has gloriously saved, sanctified and baptized me with the blessed Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave the utterance. Acts 2:4.

How I praise God because I was added to the great Church of God about two months ago, and since that time I have been through the fire and tried but, thank God, He is ever near and will not suffer us to be tempted above that we are able to bear. The devil was about to deceive me by telling me I was a backslider and hypocrite and everything else that he could. I would even try to read my Bible but it would condemn me so bad, I couldn't read much. I thought death and hell were my doom, and I just prayed to God to deliver me and, praise His name. He did. I am on the hallelujah side and by His grace and help I mean to go all the way.

How I wish every body would accept Jesus and live a holy life. People don't realize what an awful place hell is, if they could just be there for a few minutes they would gladly repent and follow Jesus.

I want to live a pure clean life and rear my children up in the way they should go so when they get old they will not depart from it. I want to do all I can to help people to God, for I know it won't be long until we shall see Him coming in His glory. I surely want to be ready to go out to meet Him with my lamp all trimmed and burning bright.

I earnestly ask the prayers of all the saints that I will be an overcomer and stand true at any cost, also that my husband and all my people will see this marvelous light on holiness and come in before it is too late.

May God bless you all.  
A sister under the blood,  
Mrs. C. C. Parrish,  
Fruitland, Ga.

## MY DOCTRINE

Graham Oglesby

We find in Deut. 32:2, a text which says, "My doctrine shall drop as the rain."

Some people are confused as to which way to go. They say there are so many different doctrines in the world. That is true, but only one of them belongs to God. In the Scripture above it refers to the doctrine of the Lord. He said, "My doctrine shall drop as the rain." We see some people come to church and when the minister steps to the pulpit and takes his text, they raise their umbrellas in order to keep the doctrine from falling on them, while there are some who lower their umbrellas and get so wet, as it were, with the rain of the doctrine that they do away with the theory and doctrine of man and come into the great Church of God and stand for her principle which is founded upon the doctrine of the Bible.

We will now quote another Scripture found in Isa. 28:9, "Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts." We take our children before they are weaned, they cannot understand but when they get old enough to wean they can understand some better, so it is with the babes in Christ, when they get to the place where they eat meat and leave off the milk, they begin to understand the doctrine.

Paul instructing Timothy about the law said, "Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, and the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for man-slayers, for whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine." 1 Tim. 1:9-10. Paul said the law was made for the lawless and disobedient and any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine. If we are guilty of anything that is contrary to sound doctrine the law is against us. Some people will say, "I do not believe in government." One reason some people do not believe in government is because they can not be the governor, but that does not keep it from being the doctrine.

John said in 2 John 9:10, "Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed." John said whosoever abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. The doctrine of Christ is the doctrine of the Church of God. Jesus told Peter that He would build His Church upon a rock and the gates of hell should not prevail against it. I am glad that I found something that will stand the test and come forth as gold. Let us who are in the ministry stand for the doctrine of the Church of God. The apostles lived and died for the doctrine which we are in now. Amen.

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